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Table Results of colposcopic examination of women with genital warts/wart contact and negative cytology

	NTZ/NEG.B	HPV	CIN1	CIN2	CIN3
Genital warts n = 248 Contact with Genital warts n = 12	157 (63·3)	34 (13·7)	25 (10)	25 (10)	7 (3)
	8 (66·7)	0	2 (16·7)	1 (8·3)	1 (8·3)

(percentage in parenthesis).

had negative cervical cytology. At colposcopic examination, 122 of these women had abnormal cervical histology. (table).

Overall, there was a 23.4% false negtive cytology rate, with 34 (13%) women having major cervical pathology (CIN 2 + 3). These womens' pathology would have gone undetected if colposcopy had not been performed.

We feel that our results strengthen the argument for colposcopic examination of women with genital warts. Within the 60 genitourinary medicine clinics who have colposcopy facilities in England and Wales, <sup>2</sup> 31 clinics routinely colposcope women with genital warts, four those with only cervical warts and 21 those women who have been in contact with genital warts, irrespective of their cervical cytology.

A recent survey of colposcopy services in the UK,<sup>3</sup> carried out by the British Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology, did not mention genital warts as being an indication for colposcopy. If national guidelines are to be established for colposcopy within both genitourinary medicine and gynaecology, then there must be discussion and co-operation between the two disciplines. The national co-ordination network has held workshops addressing these issues, and guidelines may be issued in the near future.

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## Failure of single dose ceftriaxone in donovanosis (granuloma inguinale)

Dr N O'Farrell's letter<sup>1</sup> prompts further comment.

We recently had an aboriginal patient who had florid donovanosis especially in the area of a "subincision" (longitudinal opening approximately 10 cm long on the penis which is a pubertal initiation rite). Some spherical lesions were 1–2 cms across. The diagnosis was confirmed on biopsy with donovanosis bodies present.

Ceftriaxone 1g intramuscularly daily for 7 days was administered. On review at 4 weeks there was some improvement of the lesions but not complete resolution. The response was sufficiently poor that co-trimoxazole double strength one tablet BD was commenced over a six weeks period with eventual complete resolution of the lesions.

This experience would seem to suggest that a 1g daily dose intramuscularly for 7 days should be regarded as the minimum and probably is an insufficient course of treatment of ceftriaxone. Gollow<sup>2</sup> recommends 1g intramuscularly daily ceftriaxone for 7 days as the probable optimum treatment, but admits that trials have not been done yet to confirm this. Indeed trials might confirm that the optimum is 1g daily for 14 days but severe problems with compliance may arise, as with conventional courses of procaine penicillin anti-syphilitic therapy. Donovanosis, thus appears to remain an indolent condition requiring considerable patience with treatment. A successful one dose treatment seems unattainable at present.

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Diagnostics.

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Dermatology Course 1992 for trainees/consultants in Genitourinary Medicine & Allied Specialties. Approved by the British Postgraduate Medical Federation under section HM 67/27. A full day lecture course to be held at The Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel, London E1 1BB on 8 May 1992

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Speakers include: Professor E Wilson-Jones (Emeritus Professor in Dermatology, University of London), Dr C M Ridley (Royal Northern & Whittington Hospitals), Dr G Levene (Middlesex & University College Hospitals & St John's Hospital for Notices 147

Diseases of the Skin), Dr R Staughton (Westminster Hospital), Dr J Newton (Royal London Hospital), Dr R Cerio (Royal London Hospital).

The course fee is £50 including coffee/tea and lunch. Places are limited. If you register before 1st April 1992, the cost all inclusive is £40.

For further information and application form, contact Dr R Cerio, Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel, London E1 1BB, UK, phone 071 377 7000, ext: 2491.

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#### Gonorrhoea

Changing trends of gonococcal infection in homosexual men in Edinburgh

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Surrogate methods to diagnose gonococcal and chlamydial cervicitis—comparison of leukocyte esterase dipstick, endocervical Gram stain and culture.

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Alterations of the LPS determine virulence of Neisseria gonorrhoeae in guinea pig subcutaneous chambers

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Gonococcal lipooligosaccharide sialylation prevent complement-dependent killing by immune sera

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The role of *Chlamydia trachomatis* and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* in the aetiology of ectopic pregnancy in Gabon

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